

## World's Sunday Sermon

**Christian Perseverance.**  
By J. H. W. ABEL.  
(First Methodist Church.)  
And as we must not be weary in well doing, for in doing so we shall reap, if we faint not.

There was a time in the experience of the church, as all who are familiar with the history of the church know, when the church was split into warring camps by the doctrine of perseverance.

The doctrine of perseverance was the doctrine of a man getting to heaven and whether once he got there he could fall back. It was a doctrine of grace, not of merit. It was a doctrine of the fact that a man who is saved is saved forever.

Now we have a little about the doctrine of perseverance. It is a doctrine of grace, not of merit. It is a doctrine of the fact that a man who is saved is saved forever.

My purpose today is to point out the fact that, like all other things, God has made a way for us to reach heaven. It is a way of grace, not of merit. It is a way of the fact that a man who is saved is saved forever.

Don't Get Tired.  
If I should paraphrase my text this morning, I would make it read: "Don't get tired in well doing, for in doing so you shall reap, if you faint not."

There are some things that we need to remember as we face up to our task. We need to remember that we are not alone. We need to remember that we are not alone.

Amend Social Order.  
As Christians today we are engaged in the great work of Christianizing the social order. In other words, our task is the all-around task of getting the race of men to think of and to act toward each other after the manner that Jesus taught when he was here among men.

Then you may ask, "What is your plan, if it cannot be altered by human impatience?" First in Christianizing the social order, Jesus says you must get a man converted. The condition is, "Marvel not that I say unto you, ye must be born again."

Now what Jesus means to teach here is, men will never socially relate themselves correctly to each other until they are made right in their heart life. When we as a church accept this plan of Jesus for any human method at social reconstruction or progress we but defer the day of final victory. This is what Jesus meant when he said, "Now the ax hath laid at the root of the tree, therefore every tree that bringeth forth good fruit is hewn down and cast into the fire."

So then, our first great task is the task of evangelizing and Christianizing by thorough conversion the world of our day and time. I lay down the challenge here, now that all the unrighteousness of the race and all the time and all the sorrows that are in the world today are waiting, waiting and must ever wait for the practical preacher of righteousness to face the sinners of an unbelieving world and dare to say, in the language of Jesus, "Marvel not that I say unto thee, thou must be born again," and this in spite of all the total theories that are being taught from endowed chairs in our universities to the soap-box orator on the corner of the street.

The kingdom of God is to come to this world, and the world will be saved to do the will of our Father who is in Heaven as perfectly as we can. And all the limitations of our humanity as the angels in Heaven do his will.

Now then, against this wonderful ideal are all the imperfections of the race, and who knows the better than the preacher whose heart is set against the tide of the world's sin, and who knows it better than Jesus did 2,000 years ago. What a great long life it is that we might put down here in this present what seem to be the impossible task for Christianity. Suppose we undertake to name some of them:

First, the natural selfishness of the race. This is the basis of all unrighteousness. Out of it grows dishonesty, lying, thieving, profiteering, murders, unnamable social vices, political corruption, race hatred, drunkenness, lawlessness, and a thousand other social irregularities, but wickedness in all these years has never surprised Jesus Christ. He knew about all these things when he set his disciples praying, saying to them, "When we pray, say, 'Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven.'"

Then I come back to my text, for an encouragement for our faith. "And as we must not be weary in well doing, for in doing so we shall reap, if we faint not." The text goes on and says, "We shall also reap, if we faint not."

As an illustration of how the blessed gospel of Jesus Christ works so practically to socialize the race, let me cite a few instances. But before I do this, it would be well for us to understand that Jesus' plan for the world was evolutionary, instead of revolutionary. The seed of gospel truth planted in the soil of the human heart was to grow into an immense tree.

While there are many things to fill the heart with distrust, there is the brighter and happier side of the issue. Thank God Christianity has not been idle for 2,000 years. It has been working, and it is working. The messengers of the cross have gone up and down the world preaching the religious and social program of Jesus and what burdens have been lifted and dark clouds dispelled, what sorrow and grief have been assuaged, what happiness and joy have been dispensed.

Example for All Time.  
The doings and sayings of Jesus have gone forward as good seed to a thousand harvests. One day a great hungry multitude, faint and weary, surged about the Master. On the grassy plains that sloped down to the shores of Galilee. The only source of immediate food supply were the loaves and fishes, and a little boy had the good sense to put his plenty at the disposal of the multitude, and what a miracle it was! Perhaps no less than 12,000 people, for they did not count women and children in those days. This miracle, which demonstrated the social ethics of the Christian religion, since that day has been multiplied over and over again. Though they know it not, unborn millions silently, lovingly ate out of the hands of Jesus that day. The poor, starving Chinaman who has made his hillsides until he has even eaten the roots of all vegetable growth, and poor India where black famine has stalked across unnumbered centuries, are fed from the hand of Christian charity.

One day Jesus gathered his little band of disciples about him and said, "Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you."

Two thousand years of the preaching of this gospel of Jesus made it possible for Christian America to put the wealth of her harvest fields at the disposal of a nation that had worn itself to weariness and starvation in an attempt to murder the nations of the world.

The Harvest Is Sure.  
O let us weary not in well doing for the harvest of "Peace on earth, good will to men" must come some day. In an hour when internal strife and civil war had torn our own beautiful land, filled the hearts of men with sectional prejudices and political hatred, in the shadows of the gathering night, a great leader of his people sought out his old Christian mother to be told again the beautiful story of Jesus and his love, and he came forth from the sacred premises of that Christian home to give his life to the task

of making America a great Christian land that would know no north, no south, no east, no west, and to shout on the great united nation as it wraps the old flag about the cross of Jesus Christ, carries it up the great world altar stair that slopes through darkness up to light.

Standing here this morning, I believe as I never did before in the ultimate triumph of the gospel of Jesus Christ. This world with all of its wickedness will not give place to a world thoroughly converted to the Christian ideals where men will be governed in all their social relations by the power of love, and we shall not have a heaven to go to Heaven in.

So let us weary not in well doing, for in due season we shall reap it we faint not.

**AUSTRALIAN OIL HUNT FAILS**  
Plenty of Indications but Not Found in Paying Quantities.  
SYDNEY, N. S. W., June 25.—Seekers of oil in Australia are beginning to regard their search as hopeless, it is said here. Although hundreds of thousands of pounds have been spent by the federal government and private firms in seeking oil in the commonwealth, nothing worth while has been found.

Money rewards, as well as riches in oil, await the successful. The commonwealth government has offered a reward of 25,000 pounds for oil in payable quantities and the offer of 10,000 pounds for a standard acre of 100,000 pounds for oil.

Many of the searchers have centered their activities in the northwestern territory of Papua, where in search of oil is the richest strike from the earth at the rate of two or three gallons a week. Despite this, government engineers have been unable to find the oil in commercial quantities.

Oil is a tremendously important thing to this country of wide distances for the motor, in cars and airplanes, promises to solve many of Australia's most acute communication problems if only a cheap fuel for the motor can be found.

At present Australians are paying high prices for oil imported from other countries by big companies.

**ELK HERDS DOING BETTER**  
Ask for Federal Law to Protect Remnant of Species.  
WASHINGTON, June 25.—As a result of the mild winter experienced in many parts of the country, Uncle Sam's famous elk herd, which was reduced from about 20,000 to 5,000 during the winter before, probably will stage a strong rally. The field workers of the biological survey have reported to the department of agriculture.

During the previous winter the food shortage was such that the herd in the district round Jackson Hole, Gros Ventre and Buffalo Park valleys was simply starved and frozen out.

The contrary prevailed last winter. With plenty of forage, and easily accessible because of lack of heavy snow, the herd pulled through and has a most favorable outlook.

The agents point to the need of suitable government-owned winter ranges, stating that these yet undeveloped areas have not proved desirable. State and federal legislation to protect the herd is needed, he said, if these valuable animals are to be preserved.

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## SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

By BEN NEWSOME

**Lead the Children Into Ways of Right**  
Lesson July 3, excerpts from Acts 21. II Tim. 2, and Deut. 6.

In beginning again the study of the life of Paul, the greatest of the Christian apostles, this lesson gives us a first, as insight into his early life and training, and second, the kind of teaching he received at his mother's knee. He was instructed according to the strict manner of the law of our fathers, which is given us in the quotation from Deuteronomy. Many have been said at times that the reaction of most of our truly great and good men refer to the number of their training up as a key to their character in later years. Many have been said at times that the reaction of most of our truly great and good men refer to the number of their training up as a key to their character in later years.

**Too Busy or Cowardly.**  
This is not only a summary of the physical lessons which ought to be at the bottom of much lawlessness and contempt for restraint, but is also a perceptive view as regards their spiritual convictions. The usual thing is that both parents think themselves too busy to teach morals and personal hygiene to the young, leaving the task rather to hired or volunteer assistants, or else we feel our own unworthiness so strongly that we hesitate to teach the young principles that we are conscious we do not follow ourselves, and thus desert them with hypocrisy. Almost every parent wishes his offspring to be more perfect than himself, but he hesitates to barren race and harden hearts when his own life before those children gives the lie to what he preaches. If we want our children to be good and great, we must not only lead them in the right path, but we must walk therein before them. And if the child is taught in Sunday school that righteousness consists of things which his parents do not do, he is forced to lose faith in father and mother, if not to lapse into childish skepticism.

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regularly, the family prayer, and heart to heart talks adapted to the child's understanding are duties every parent owes to his child. Nothing is a greater safeguard to attacks of the temper than the institution of good principles and the modeling of all conduct by scriptural standards. Here and there some child may be injured by third influences or trivial things, but on the whole this method is a safer one than can be found in any other plan. We cannot deny it if it were even desirable to maintain the family atmosphere of government that was common in other times, for the very economics of individuality is too easily developed in the family, and father and mother are too often divided minds, but the chances are as to the fact that lessons thus instilled, and the habits of thought thus formed, will stand our offspring in good stead in reaching the point of understanding that the teaching is neglected, the devil has been working on the innocent one and putting evil suggestions into its mind. If you wait until the child's welfare and happiness are better than its laughter be hushed long enough to hear the lessons of God's word.

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than that in after life its mission should be forever and hopelessly extinguished by the loss of sin. How often parents have said, "Oh, if my mother had only told me all this I would never have made the first mistake."

Parents are too prone to go to one extreme or the other—either too severe, which the child wonders at and resents, or too easy, when the child learns to play upon your petting for its own selfish gratification. For children, no matter how young and innocent, will soon learn to take advantage of lenience and based on its own will. Those who give way to fits of anger when the child needs reproof can only motivate fear or contempt, and fear is not righteousness nor is it a proper motive. There is a happy medium. In resisting to what is right and just, as well as loving, and do not let your temper loose on the child. But teach them constantly the command of God and the rewards of obedience, making your life

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to more nearly coincide with what you teach. And thus shall reach them diligently into the children, and shall talk of them when thou art sitting in thy house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up.

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